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Sunnyvale Arrests Multiple Burglary Suspects

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – Detectives from the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) have arrested the two suspects responsible for the burglary that occurred on May 12, 2014 on the 900 block of East El Camino Real where one suspect fired a handgun during a struggle with the victim. The suspects are Israel Esquival Aguilar, 19, of Redwood City and Stanley Sherman Jr., 19, of Santa Clara. Aguilar was the suspect in possession of the firearm. Sunnyvale detectives arrested Aguilar on May 15 at his residence in Redwood City. The red Mercedes-Benz used in the crime also was located at the residence.

On May 19, Sunnyvale detectives arrested Sherman Jr. while he was in the custody of Fremont police after committing a home invasion robbery in Fremont. Sherman Jr. was among several other suspects also involved in burglaries occurring in Redwood City and Fremont. Additional information regarding these cases can be found posted on the agency Nixle pages – Redwood City: http://local.nixle.com/alert/5201436/ and Fremont: http://local.nixle.com/alert/5201346/

On May 21, Sunnyvale detectives also arrested Shawn Oceala Thomas Jr., 18, at his Sunnyvale residence in connection with a Sunnyvale burglary. During their investigation, detectives determined that Thomas Jr. is associated with Sherman Jr. and Aguilar. In addition, the investigation revealed that another 18-year old suspect also was responsible for a Sunnyvale burglary as a 15-year old juvenile and he was subsequently arrested. Detectives are continuing to investigate several other cases to determine whether any of these suspects were involved.

As a result of these arrests, Sunnyvale detectives have solved a total of six burglary cases and recovered several items of stolen property. Detectives are contacting the associated victims related to the recovered property. Although these suspects are now in custody, Sunnyvale DPS reminds residents to be vigilant and notify the police of any suspicious activity immediately. To receive public safety messages and alerts, residents are encouraged to sign up for Sunnyvale DPS Nixle alerts at:

http://local.nixle.com/sunnyvale-department-of-public-safety/

DPS continues to seek the two suspects identified in video surveillance footage attempting to enter a residence on the 1700 block of Karameos Drive. Please contact the Sunnyvale Investigations Unit with information related to any of these crimes at (408) 730-7120.





Israel Esquivel Aguilar

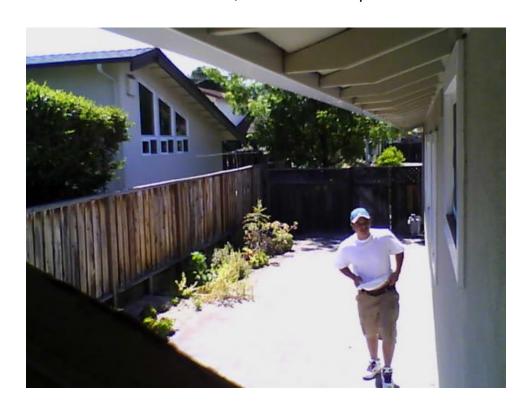
Stanley Sherman, Jr.



Shawn Oceala Thomas Jr.



Karameos Drive, Unidentified Suspect #1



Karameos Drive, Unidentified Suspect #2